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FOLLOWING REPEAT ISLAMABAD 5488 SENT ACTION SECSTATE JUN 05.
QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 5488

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E.O. 11692: GDS

TAGS: IAEA, MNUC, PORG, PK

SUBJECT: PAKISTANI CANDIDACY FOR IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

REF: A) VIENNA 5016, B) STATE 141229

1. I RECOGNIZE THAT OUR SUPPORT IN SUCH MATTERS AS
APPORTIONING SEATS ON INTERNATIONAL BODIES LIKE IAEA
INVOLVES A VERY COMPLICATED CALCULUS OF BOTH IO AND REGIONAL
BUREAU CONSIDERATIONS. I WOULD ADD ONLY THAT IF THE GOP
HAS DECIDED TO SEEK A SEAT FOR MUNIR KHAN ON IAEA BOARD
OF GOVERNORS, AS SUGGESTED REFTTEL, WE SHOULD GIVE FULL
WEIGHT TO OUR CURRENT REPROCESSING SCENARIO IN COMING
TO A DECISION ON WHETHER OR NOT THE US WOULD SUPPORT A
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PAK CANDIDACY.

2. IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS AHEAD, WE WILL CONSCIOUSLY BE
LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO REASSURE THE GOP THAT THE
PENDING FRENCH DECISION TO CANCEL THE REPROCESSING PLANT
CONTRACT DOES NOT RULE OUT FOR PAKISTAN A NUCLEAR FUTURE,
AT LEAST IN TERMS OF ITS PLANS FOR ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION.

WE CAN SYMBOLICALLY REAFFIRM OUR FAITH IN PAKISTAN'S TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES AND IN ITS NUCLEAR ENERGY FUTURE BY SUPPORTING THE CANDIDACY OF PAKISTAN'S VERY ABLE AEC CHAIRMAN FOR THE IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS. THIS IS, IN FACT, A SUBJECT WE COULD DISCUSS WITH BOTH THE THAIS AND THE PERSIANS.

3. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS DESIRED.
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